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Patent Application of Jose Walter

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Title:

DISPOSABLE ARTICULATOR HAVING AT LEAST ONE CONTINUOUS

OPENING FOR ACCEPTANCE OF STABILIZATION MEANS

Amendment and Response

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2002. August 31 being a Sunday and September 1 being a holiday, this paper is timely filed.

Regarding the oath/declaration, attached hereto is a new Declaration.

Regarding an information statement, it is believed the Office has cited the closest prior art. However, an updated search is being performed.

Please cancel claim 1 and replace with claim 15.

15. An articulator tray having at least one opening with repeating broadened and narrowed regions in said opening wherein the broadened regions will accept pins or a spine for stabilization means.

Cancel claim 2

3. The articulator tray of claim [1] 15 with indexing pins inserted into [the] said broadened areas of said opening.